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1. This opinion contains indications relating to the following items:

- ox No. I Basis of the opinion
- ox No. II Priority
- ox No. III Non-establishment of opinion with regard to novelty, inventive step and industrial applicability
- ox No. IV Lack of unity of invention
- ox No. V Reasoned statement under Rule 43bis.1(a)(i) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement
- ox No. VI Certain documents cited
- ox No. VII Certain defects in the international application
- ox No. VIII Certain observations on the international application

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Box No. I Basis of the opinion

1. With regard to the **language**, this opinion has been established on the basis of the international application in the language in which it was filed, unless otherwise indicated under this item.
 - ☐ This opinion has been established on the basis of a translation from the original language into the following language , which is the language of a translation furnished for the purposes of international search (under Rules 12.3 and 23.1(b)).
2. With regard to any **nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence** disclosed in the international application and necessary to the claimed invention, this opinion has been established on the basis of:
 - a. type of material:
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Box No. V Reasoned statement under Rule 43*b*/s.1(a)(i) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement

1. Statement

Novelty (N)	Yes: Claims	5
	No: Claims	1-4,6,7
Inventive step (IS)	Yes: Claims	5
	No: Claims	1-4,6,7
Industrial applicability (IA)	Yes: Claims	1-7
	No: Claims	

2. Citations and explanations

see separate sheet

Part V: novelty and inventive step:

- 1 Claim 1 does not satisfy the requirements of Article 33(1) PCT because its subject matter is not novel within the meaning of Article 33(2) PCT.

Document US-A-2001/024186 (=D1) discloses, according to the wording of claim 1, an organic EL display apparatus [title] including in each display pixel an organic EL element [paragraph 0006] and a drive transistor [paragraph 0006] that supplies the organic EL element with a drive current that depends on brightness data [paragraph 0006] and having the display pixels arranged in a matrix form [paragraph 0003], the organic EL display apparatus comprising a correction gain storage unit [the memory wherein Voffset and C are stored, see paragraph 0141] for storing display pixel positions [each pixel has an entry in the memory recited in paragraph 0141] and a correction gain [parameter C, see equation (10) and paragraph 0141] for correcting the slope of the brightness-data-based drive current of the drive transistors in the display pixels [see equation (10) of paragraph 0134]; and a correction unit [this unit is the circuit performing the computation recited in paragraph 0146] for correcting pixel-by-pixel brightness data depending on the pixel position using the correction gain stored in the correction gain storage unit into brightness data for the pixel to generate corrected brightness data [see paragraph 0146], wherein each of the display pixels is displayed by driving its drive transistor in response to the data generated by the correction gain storage unit and the correction unit and supplying the corresponding organic EL element with the drive current [see paragraph 0148].

- 2 The subject matter of claims 2 to 4, 6, and 7 is also not novel:
- cl. 2: paragraph 0146;
 - cls 3&4: a correction offset in addition to the correction gain is disclosed in paragraph 0146 in connection with equation (10) of paragraph 0134; and
 - cls 6&7: the means recited in these two claims correspond to those means which would be required to perform the method disclosed in Fig. 14 and in paragraphs 0138 to 0141.
- 3 It would appear that the subject matter of claim 5 satisfies the novelty and inventive step requirements of Article 33 PCT.

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None of the prior art documents cited in the International Search Report appear to disclose or even to suggest "stor[ing one] correction value for each of horizontal or vertical lines. In each of the cited prior art documents, it is always stressed that nonuniformities are randomly detected across a whole display so that luminosity is not expected to vary according to a first direction only while remaining constant according to a second direction perpendicular to the first direction. A skilled person would therefore have no incentive to only store one set of parameter per row or per column.